

DSA Feature Inventory, Form B

Derivational Constancy

Directions: I am going to say some words that I want you to spell for me. Some of the words will be easy to spell and some will be more difficult. When you don't know how to spell a word, just do the best you can. Each time, I will say the word, then use it in a sentence, and then I will say the word again.

DSA Form B: Derivational Constancy Feature List

1. politician The politician was hoping to be reelected.
2. collide Watch where you're going so you don't collide with someone.
3. expression He reads with a lot of expression.
4. assurance With assurance he said, "I'll be there."
5. inedible That piece of old fruit is inedible.
6. persuasion The salesman used persuasion to sell the vacuum cleaners.
7. design I like the design of that house.
8. submissive The dog was submissive to its owner.
9. prohibition At one time there was a prohibition against all drinking of alcohol.
10. irresponsible It is irresponsible to leave your homework at home.
11. consumption The company's consumption of water is tremendous.
12. definite She gave him a definite answer.
13. disposition That cat has a playful disposition.
14. eternity It seemed like an eternity until his birthday.
15. solemn Their faces were solemn as they left the room.
16. inspiration The artist had a sudden inspiration.
17. stability The stability of the broken shelf was questionable.
18. suppress The woman tried to suppress her cough during the play.
19. proclamation The king's herald read the proclamation.
20. accumulate Dust will accumulate if you don't clean regularly.
21. persistent Sometimes you have to be persistent to get something done.
22. hasten We must hasten to get there on time.
23. disruption The hot-air balloon caused quite a disruption.
24. muscle He pulled a muscle in his left leg during the race.
25. immobile The car was immobile when it ran out of gas.

DSA Form B: Derivational Constancy Answer Card

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| 1. <u>politi c</u> ian** Q | 16. <u>in spir</u> ation R |
| 2. <u>coll ide</u> T | 17. <u>sta bility</u> R |
| 3. <u>expre ss</u> ion** Q | 18. <u>supp ress</u> T |
| 4. <u>assur ance</u> S | 19. <u>pro clam</u> ation R |
| 5. <u>ined ible</u> S | 20. <u>acc umulate</u> T |
| 6. <u>persua s</u> ion** Q | 21. <u>persist ent</u> S |
| 7. <u>desi gn</u> P | 22. <u>ha st en</u> P |
| 8. <u>submiss ive</u> S | 23. <u>disrup t</u> ion** Q |
| 9. <u>pro h</u> ibition* P | 24. <u>mu sc</u> le P |
| 10. <u>irr esponsible</u> T | 25. <u>imm obile</u> T |
| 11. <u>consum pt</u> ion** Q | |
| 12. <u>de fin</u> ite R | |
| 13. <u>dis pos</u> ition R | |
| 14. <u>etern ity</u> S | |
| 15. <u>sole mn</u> P | |

*A vowel must precede and follow the underlined letter.

**A correct vowel (or consonant) must precede and follow the underlined letter(s).

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| 1. _____ Q | 16. _____ R |
| 2. _____ T | 17. _____ R |
| 3. _____ Q | 18. _____ T |
| 4. _____ S | 19. _____ R |
| 5. _____ S | 20. _____ T |
| 6. _____ Q | 21. _____ S |
| 7. _____ P | 22. _____ P |
| 8. _____ S | 23. _____ Q |
| 9. _____ P | 24. _____ P |
| 10. _____ T | 25. _____ T |
| 11. _____ Q | |
| 12. _____ R | |
| 13. _____ R | |
| 14. _____ S | |
| 15. _____ P | |

Feature Knowledge

P	Q	R	S	T

- P. See Class Record
Q. See Class Record
R. See Class Record
S. See Class Record
T. See Class Record

Correctly Spelled Words _____

Stage Score _____

22-25 move to next level
12-21 instructional zone
0-11 frustration